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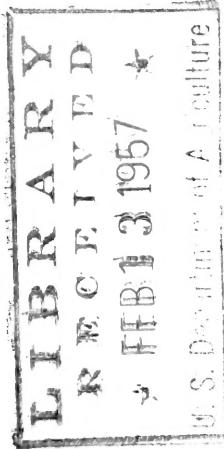
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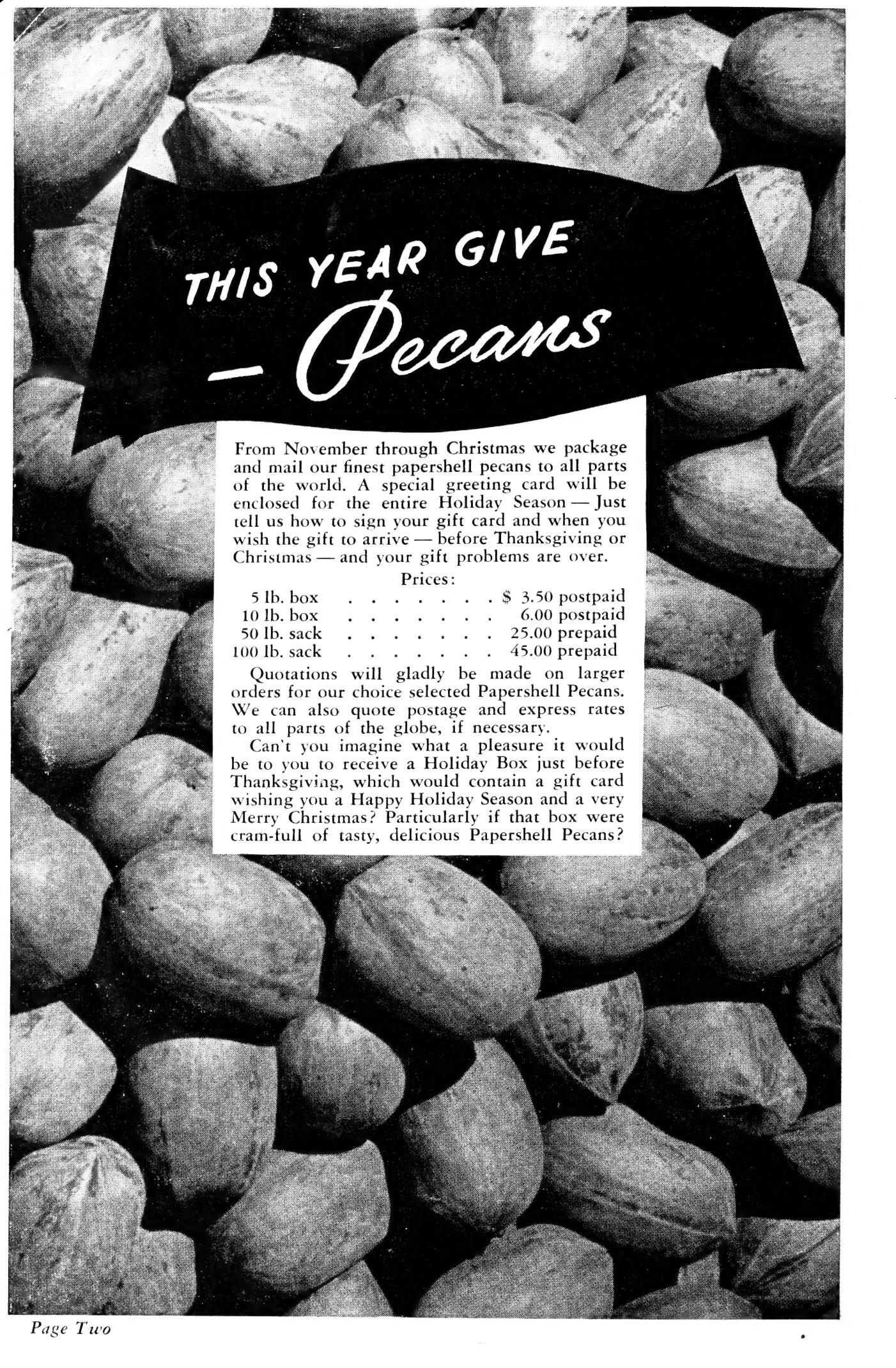
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BASS PEACH COMPANY, Inc.

The World's Largest Growers of Papershell Pecan Trees
LUMBERTON, MISSISSIPPI



THIS YEAR GIVE — Pecans

From November through Christmas we package and mail our finest papershell pecans to all parts of the world. A special greeting card will be enclosed for the entire Holiday Season — Just tell us how to sign your gift card and when you wish the gift to arrive — before Thanksgiving or Christmas — and your gift problems are over.

Prices:

5 lb. box	\$ 3.50 postpaid
10 lb. box	6.00 postpaid
50 lb. sack	25.00 prepaid
100 lb. sack	45.00 prepaid

Quotations will gladly be made on larger orders for our choice selected Papershell Pecans. We can also quote postage and express rates to all parts of the globe, if necessary.

Can't you imagine what a pleasure it would be to you to receive a Holiday Box just before Thanksgiving, which would contain a gift card wishing you a Happy Holiday Season and a very Merry Christmas? Particularly if that box were cram-full of tasty, delicious Papershell Pecans?

Dedication

This issue of our annual catalog is dedicated to the memory of I. H. Bass, Jr., who died on June 7th, 1956.



The day was a beautiful one, and late in the afternoon Houston took his plane to fly around the various orchards that are parts of the Bass Pecan Company properties. There was a suggestion that he perhaps wanted to get a message to some men working in one of the more distant orchards, as he sometimes did; however, we shall never know. He had passed over the trucks and the men, and then circled as if to fly over them again; the circle was never completed — the plane suddenly plunged to earth and burst into flame.

Houston had flown over 600 hours, and there was nothing he liked to do more than to get into the air and fly over the orchards and the pine forests here; he loved the sight of the growing trees and the green pastures, the beautiful changes made in the landscapes of south Mississippi over the years that he had worked here at Lumberton. His greatest interests were in conservation — of the land, of the forests, of all resources — particularly the tremendous promise of the living and growing, both trees and human beings. He had worked long with the school system as a member of the Board of Trustees, and since his Eagle Scout days had been a Scout leader, and was a director of the Tung Belt Area Scout Council at the time of his death. He was also devotedly interested in spiritual conservation, and was a vestryman of Trinity Episcopal Church.

However, Houston is not completely lost to us, for his widow and two children, I. H. Bass, III, a freshman at Mississippi State College (Houston's alma mater), and Claude Brown Bass, in high school, are with us here, continuing his active interest and participation in all our efforts. And the trees which he loved continue to grow and produce, a living heritage for his family.

GRANDMOTHER BASS CELEBRATED HER 101st BIRTHDAY on May 20th. She has declined pretty much this year, and her hearing and sight have failed considerably. But she still maintains her interest in all her family, and the work each one is doing, and she still takes great pleasure in looking out her window and seeing the fine, healthy, productive pecan trees she and Grandfather Bass planted at the turn of the century.



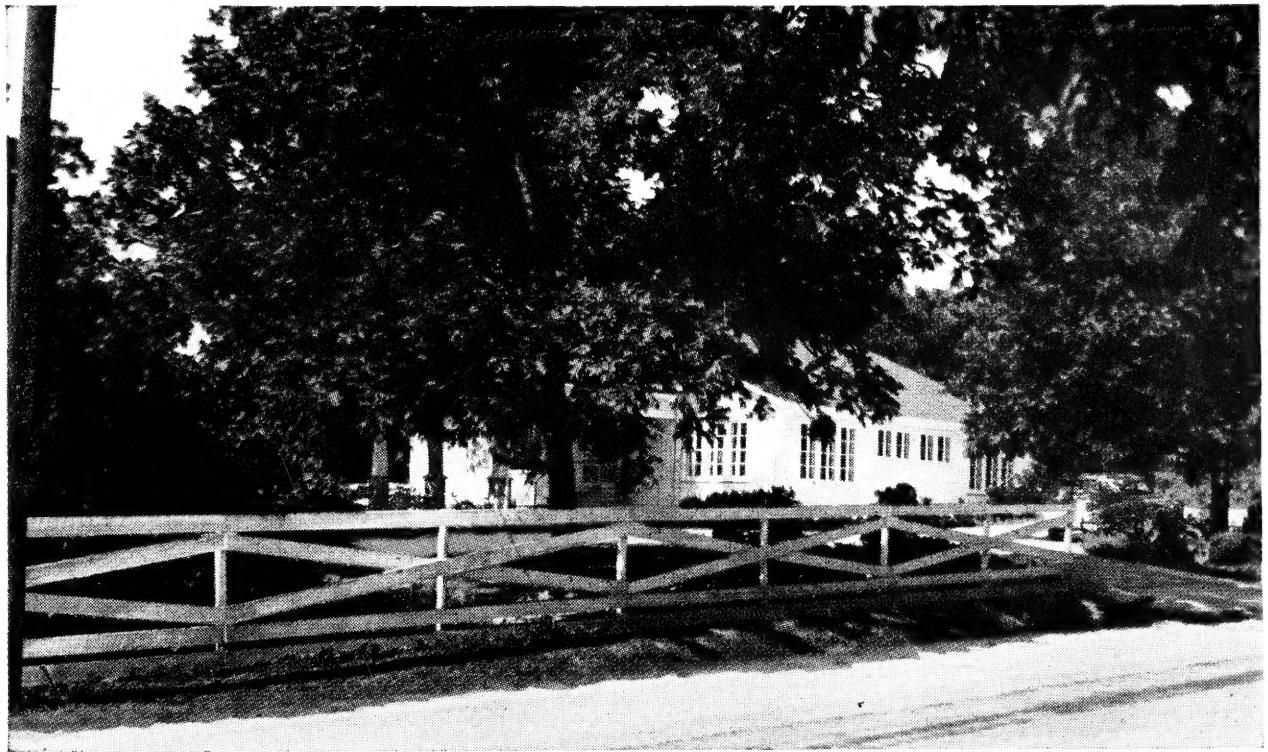
The World's Finest Pecan Trees Come From Bass

Above is a photograph of our choice nursery stock, taken in one of our nurseries. This is a typical picture of these select young trees; and here in our nurseries there are rows on rows of trees just like these . . . fine, healthy young trees, very vigorous and thrifty, beautiful with rich green foliage, carefully grown especially for shipment to our customers.

Notice the rich full color of the leaves on these fine young pecan trees, and compare these with the lovely full-color photograph of one of our pecan orchards on the back outside cover. Can't you just imagine your own orchard of BASS trees? In just a very few years the wonderful young trees pictured above will be large heavy-bearing trees in orchards throughout the South, given the proper care and attention. *Now* is the time to plant!

Pecan Trees Have No Age Limit

Just to show how long pecan trees will live, grow, and produce, and further to prove the wisdom and foresight of George Washington, the Father of Our Country, in the year 1785 or thereabouts, President Washington planted pecan trees which are still living, in fine condition, and bearing. Washington was indeed looking to the far distant future, and leaving behind a living and growing memorial, producing for the generations to come later.



Summer View

Your Home Deserves The Finest

PECAN trees are the ideal shade and lawn tree for Southern homes. Notice the two pictures on this page, of a simple home made beautiful and gracious by the fine trees surrounding it. In the winter, when sunlight is wanted, the trees are stately even though bare; and in the summer the foliage gives desired shade and coolness.

Because of the pecan tree's wonderful characteristics, flowers of all kinds can be grown underneath the trees, and permanent ornamentals develop well. Leaves of pecan trees fall in late autumn over a short period of time, and appear early in the spring. The harvest from just a few trees can make all the difference in the world to the value of your property.

Country home or City home—no home in the South should be without pecan trees. Give *your* home the permanent beauty and value that only pecan trees can give. Plant Bass Bred-Up Pecan Trees this fall or winter.



Winter View



STUART

First Choice of America

THE STUART is our first choice, and the most popular of all the improved varieties of pecans. This variety has been more extensively planted than any other throughout the South. The trees are vigorous, bear regularly, and resist scab. They are early and heavy bearers. The nuts are large and well-filled, with plump kernels of excellent flavor. The nut is shaped nicely.

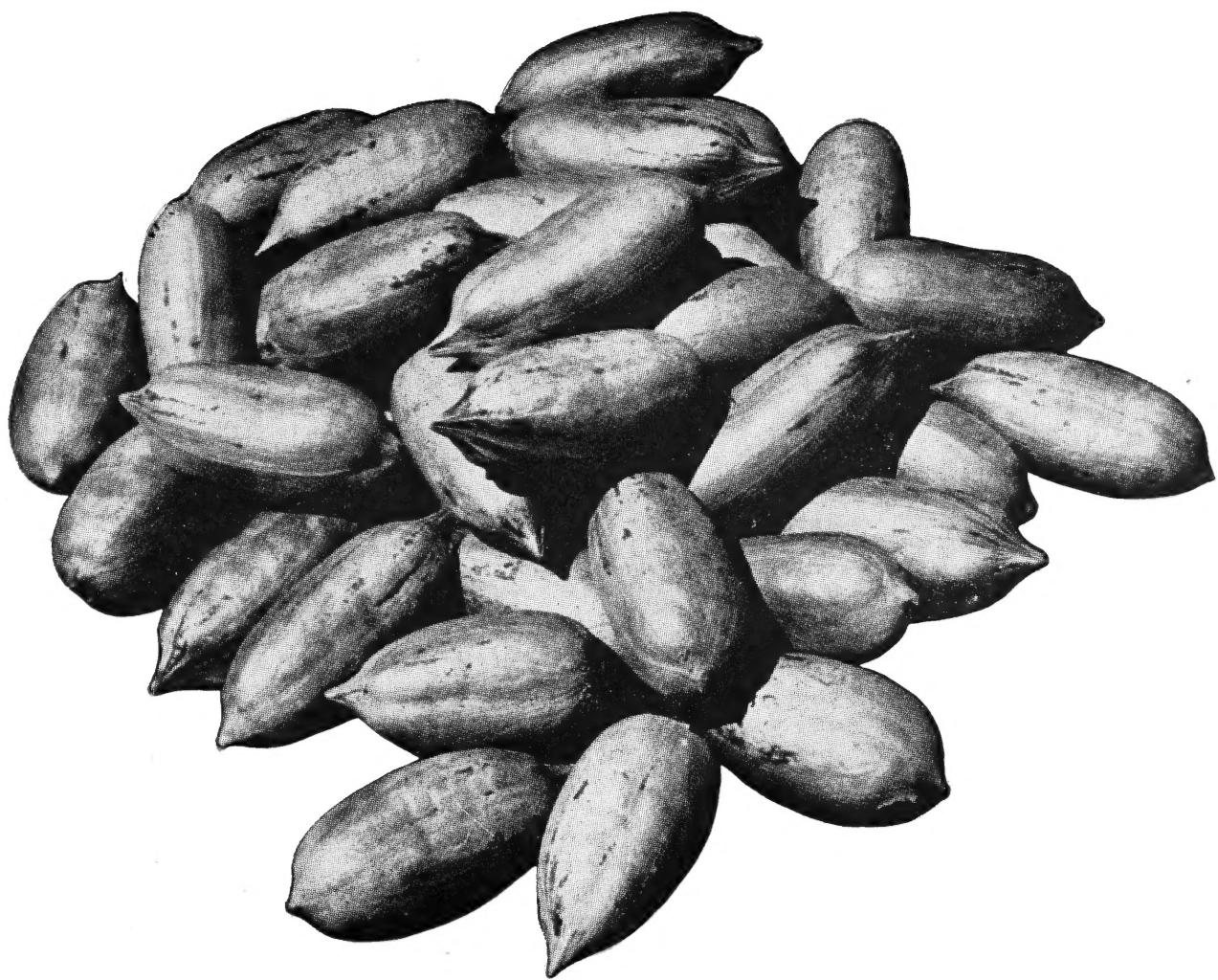
Stuart nuts are easiest to grow, sell well, and bring a high market price. A majority of all Papershell Pecans sold are Stuart.

The greatest portion of our orchards is in Stuart trees, and in recent years we have topworked many less satisfactory varieties over to the Stuart variety.

We recommend the BASS BRED-UP STUART pecan trees as the most profitable and satisfactory of the pecan varieties. We believe it will pay you to plant these in preference to others.

Plant Fruit Trees Between the Rows

We like to plant a new orchard of pecan trees 60 feet apart and intersperse fruit trees, such as our fine pear, peach, and plum trees, at 20 foot intervals. The fruit trees give a profitable crop for years before the space is needed by the pecans. After the pecan trees are large and a highly productive orchard, the fruit trees can be kept trimmed back or removed.



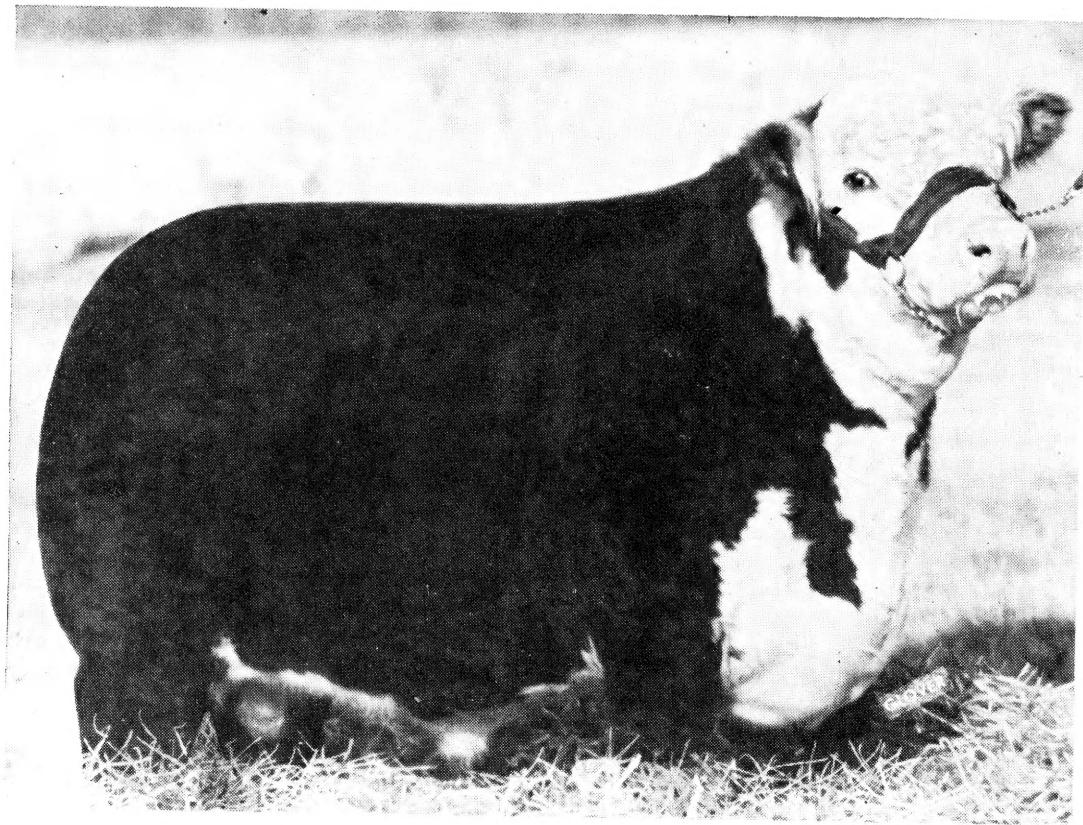
Mississippi Giant Papershell Pecans

THE Mississippi Giant pecan is no doubt the largest papershell pecan in the world. F. A. Mahan, of Monticello, Florida, is said to have paid \$5,000.00 for the parent tree at Kosciusko, Miss. The trees are sold under many different names, such as Mississippi Giant, Florida Giant, Mehan, Mayhan, Mayhand, Mahan, etc. Under other names it is often sold for many times our price by other nurseries. In many sections it is doing as well as any other varieties.

Because of the size of the nuts and their paper-thin shells, this pecan brings a premium on the retail markets. It is one of the earliest and heaviest producers.

This new variety is very rapid-growing, with large and beautiful green foliage. The shell of the pecan is thin, easily crushed in one's hands, and the meat is large, easily extracted whole, with a fine rich nutty flavor that is very distinctive.

Because the Mississippi Giant pecan tree is fast growing and is so ideal for home planting, we have held back some of these trees for an extra year of growth in our nursery, and this year offer a Super-Special size tree in the Mississippi Giant variety, as well as the Stuart and Success varieties, at a price of \$8.00 per tree. We think these are the perfect trees for new homes.



GIL BEAU ROLLO 6th P-7851113-632012

Calved May 4, 1953

Tattoo RE-200 LE-200

GIL BEAU ROLLO
6555586-459762

ALF Beau Rollo
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Beau Perfect 246"
3252486-154894
Lady Carlos 3"
2752049-121883
CMR Adv. Domino 33"
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CMR Dominette 14"
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GIL DOMINETTE
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DM Diamonette 3"
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Victor Domino 126"
2857151-126279
Goldie Domino 2"
3059067-140067
CMR Rollo Domino Jr.
3517331-170606
D. Victoria Dom, 23"
3772150

EER Victor Domino 22"
4783359-274587

EER Bonnie Rollo 8"
4610425-259417

Bass Cattle and Sheep

Just as the name Bass Pecan Company has come to mean the very best and most dependable in pecan trees, its reputation as a reliable grower of fine cattle and sheep increases each year. Here is pictured one of the Polled Hereford herd sires with breeding history. This animal is typical of our additions to our herds in a constant effort to produce the finest calves possible.

Bass sheep are among the finest in the South, and the record of high wool production, multiple lambings, rate of growth, and quality, is one we are proud of. We have selected sheep of many types and built up a mixture of breeds especially suited to the deep South area—native for hardness, Suffolk, Southdown, Ramboillet, and Montadale for the many fine qualities that produce sheep which consistently top the market when sold for slaughter, and whose wool brings top prices year in and year out.

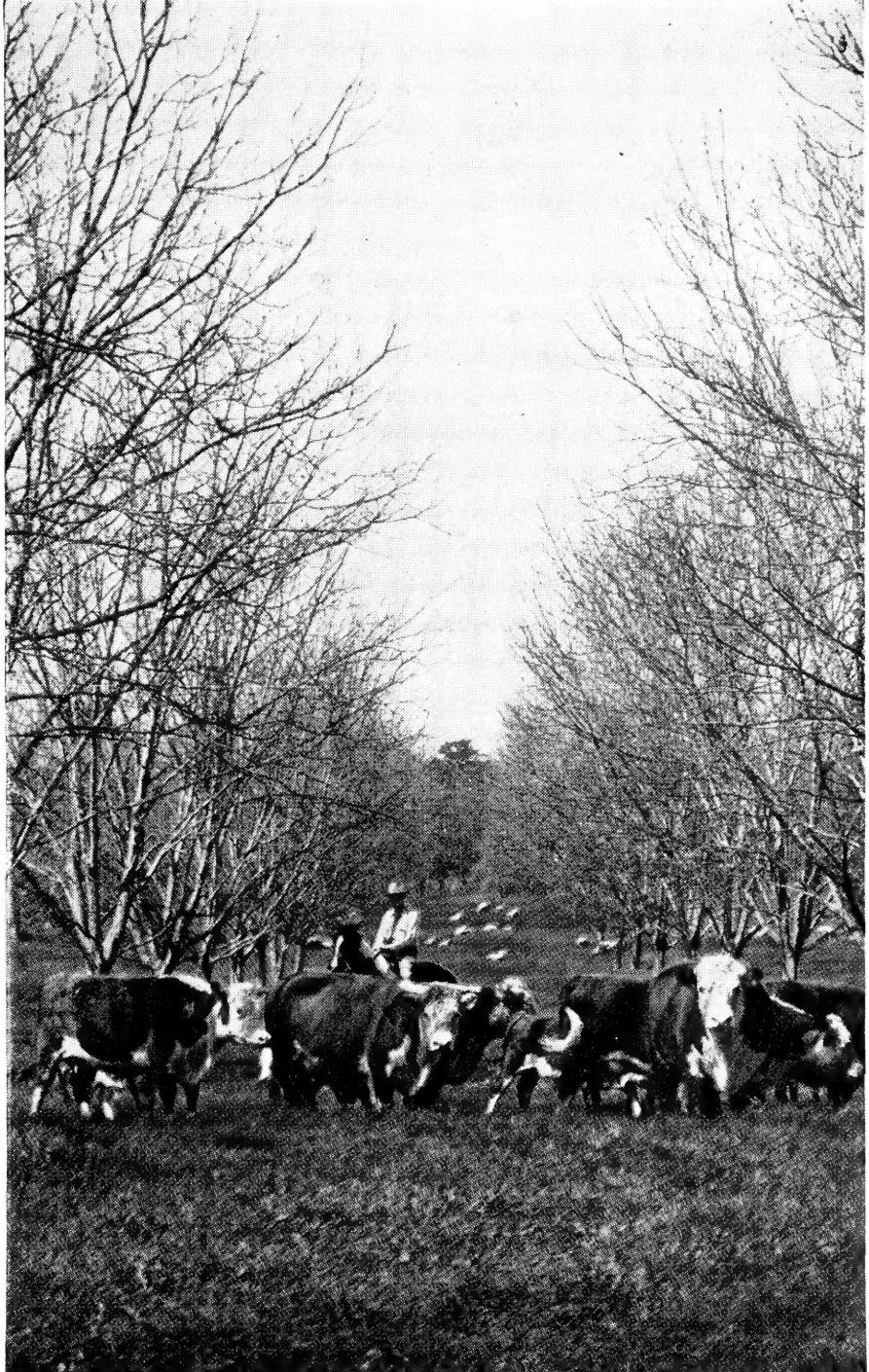
Cattle and sheep are for sale at very favorable prices, and are to be seen here at Lumberton. Because of the wide range of the various pastures where the animals are kept, it is wise to make an appointment in advance if you are interested in buying cattle or sheep. The telephone number is PYramid 6-2461 or PYramid 6-2471, Lumberton, Mississippi.

PECANS MAKE MONEY THE YEAR ROUND

Pecan Trees are one of the few trees which are money-makers from the start. While the trees are growing to full productive age and size, regular crops may be grown between the trees. And when they are producing fine crops of pecans, many other crops may be grown among the trees, or the orchards can be used for pasture both summer and winter.

Here is a picture of our registered Hereford Cattle and in the background our fine high-bred Sheep, during the winter. The pecan crop from this orchard was gathered in October and November, when the winter pasture was growing. By the time the crop was gathered, the pasture was in perfect condition for livestock.

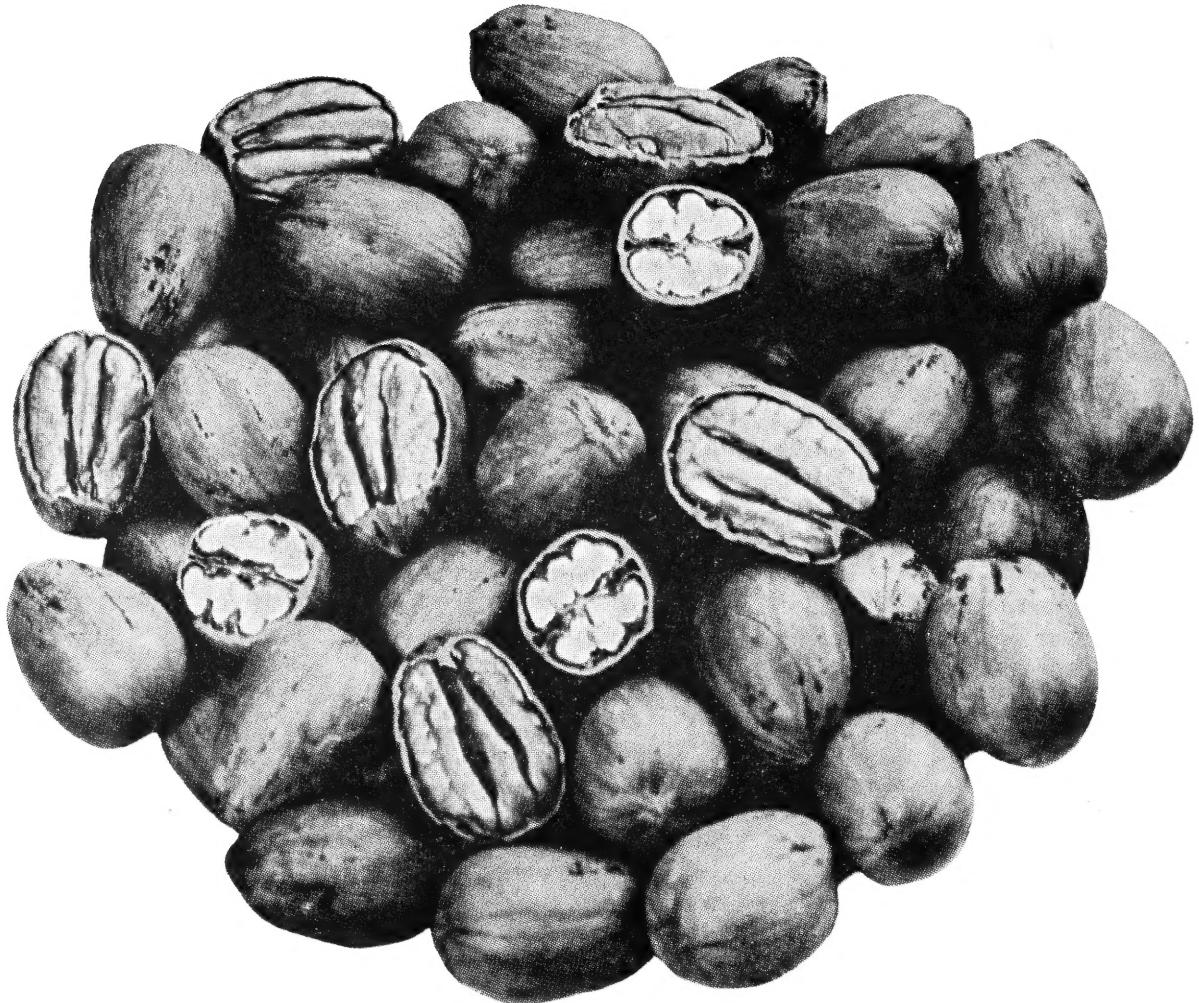
We shall be glad to have visitors to see our livestock and to discuss with them the many attractions of a combination of pecan orchard and stock program. See below for visiting hours, or write us for full information about our fine animals.



▲ Our Hereford Cattle out to winter pasture in one of our orchards.

Visitors Welcome

We are always proud to have visitors to our beautiful orchards and nurseries. It has been our pleasure through the years to have visitors from every state and nearly every country. From November through March our Packing Department is open daily from 7:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. In order to allow employees a day off, we are closed Saturday afternoon and all day Sunday. Visitors are asked not to come after noon on Saturday or on Sunday, except by advance appointment.



Success - A Dependable Variety

The SUCCESS variety of papershell pecans is very popular. It is a heavy and well-filled nut, usually having only 40 to 45 nuts per pound. The nuts, as you can see, are large, and the kernel has proved to be the heaviest in a test made of 14 varieties. The meat has a delightful flavor; the nut itself is ovate in shape, with a thin shell that cracks easily. The variety is a very heavy bloomer, and all orchards should have some of these trees as an aid in cross-pollination.

Because the SUCCESS variety is such an excellent one, we have made special efforts to offer them in the larger sizes, and this season we shall furnish them only in the 6-7 ft., Large, Extra Special, and Super Special sizes — which are particularly adapted to home planting and to new orchards where early production will be desired.

Pecan Buds and Grafts for Sale

We supply buds and grafts by the thousands for propagating young trees either by root grafting, or top budding or grafting. These are selected by experts from our finest young trees.

The lowest price we can afford to cut our best trees for is 5c per graft, in lots of 25 to 500, and 4c per graft in lots of over 500. On orders for 25 to 200 grafts add 50c for postage and handling, and on orders for more than 200 add \$1.00.

The varieties we furnish are Stuart, Success, Mahan or Mississippi Gaint, and limited quantities of Desirable, Lewis, Dependable, Moore, Moneymaker, Forkert and Davis — all fine varieties. They are available from February to the first of May (dormant scions), and in August (live buds). We also can furnish grafting wax at \$1.00 the pound postpaid.

The DESIRABLE Variety

The latest addition to our fine family of Pecan Varieties. Last year, after several years of requests from various experiment stations and growers throughout the South, we offered the DESIRABLE pecan variety for the first time. The demand has been tremendous, and trees are selling out in all sizes almost as soon as our catalogs and price lists are sent out in the fall and winter.

The DESIRABLE pecan variety has been widely experimented with in all sections of the South, but has been the most widely praised by the growers of the Shreveport area (and east Texas) and south central Georgia.

The DESIRABLE is an early blooming variety, a quality particularly desired by orchard planters; the nuts themselves are heavy and meaty, with an exceptionally fine flavor. As a commercial cracking pecan type it is in wide demand, and it is also an unusually dependable producer.

We can supply this fine variety of pecan tree in all sizes this season, except Extra Special and Super Special sizes. An order for the favored larger sizes (5-6 ft., 6-7 ft., and Large) should be placed at once, even if shipment is not desired until late in the planting season.



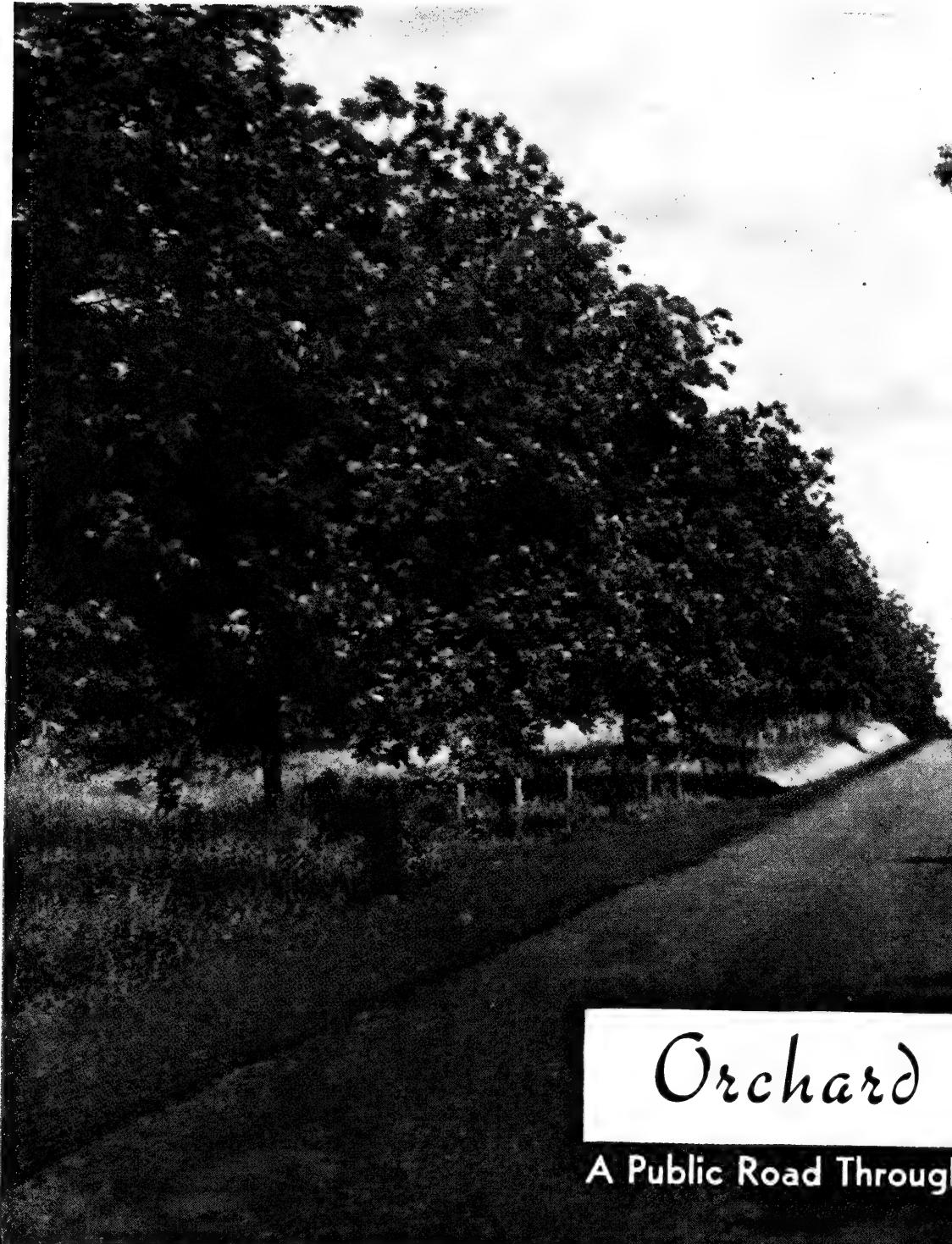
Spiral Wrap

We recommend that trees be wrapped the first season or two after planting. And while any paper may be used, or burlap strips, we offer as a convenience to our customers the Waterproof Kraft Spiral Wrap.

Danger resulting from sun scald to thick bark trees when transplanted is frequently serious if the trunks of the trees are not completely covered. The open wounds offer places for insects to deposit their eggs. Spiral Wrap not only provides protection against sun scald, but prevents adult boring insects from laying their eggs any place on the bark, and also provides security against frost and cold and protection against the ravages of rabbits and field mice.

Apply the Spiral Wrap from the topmost part of the trunk downward, and this enables moisture from rains to enter the wrapped area. The moisture is retained by the Duplex Waterproof Kraft — a distinct advantage to the growing tree.

Price is only \$1.00 the roll included with your order for pecan and fruit trees. Each roll is 155 linear feet, 4 inches wide.

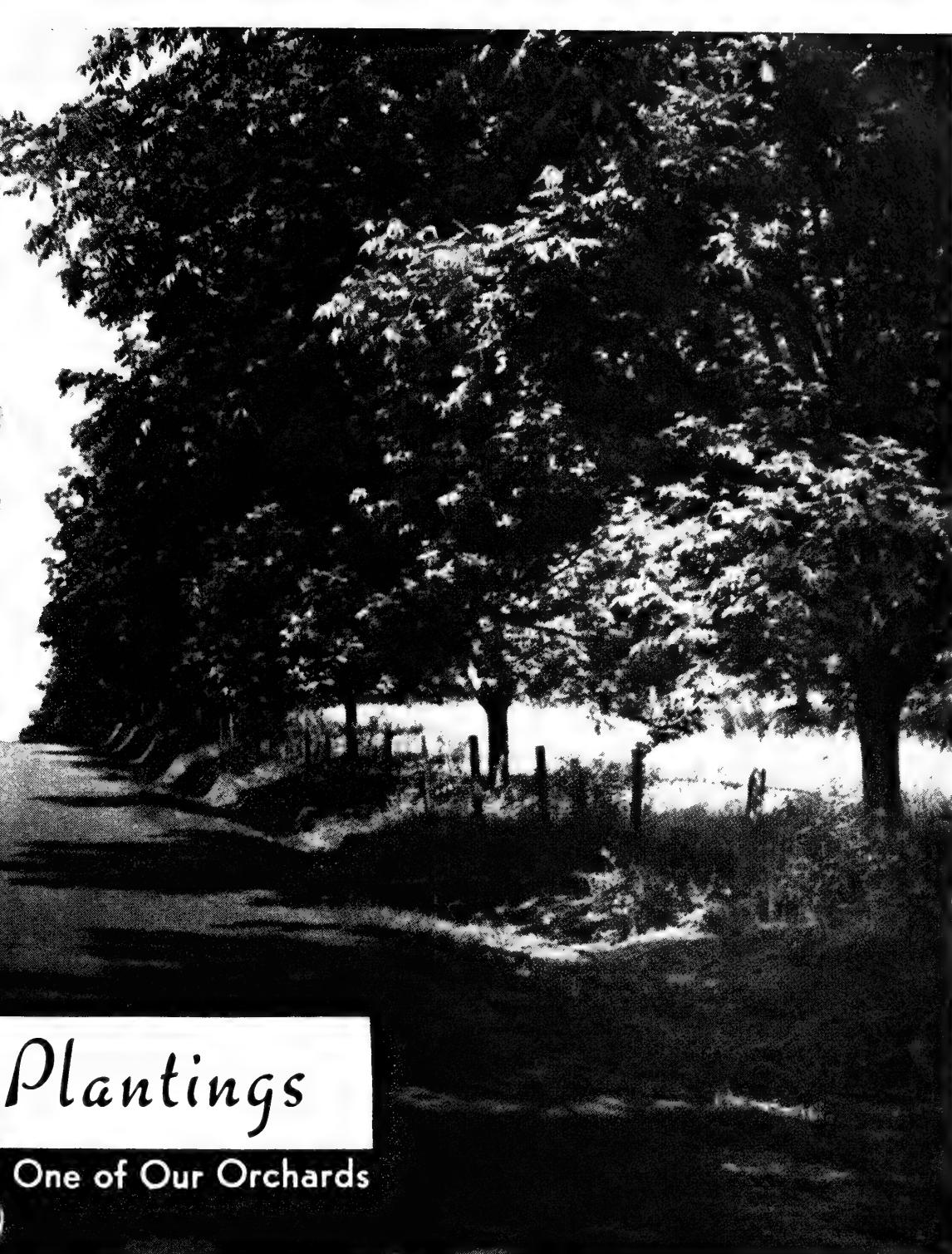


Orchard

A Public Road Through

BEAUTY AND PROFITS TODAY

When Joyce Kilmer wrote, "I think that I shall never see a poem lovely as a tree," he expressed mankind's universal love for natural beauty. Orchards of pecan trees are one of man's finest expressions of this love — orderly, productive, ever-growing. They require little attention and care to remain a beautiful sight as well as a profitable enterprise. We believe that pecan trees will raise the value of your property more than any other planting.



Plantings

One of Our Orchards

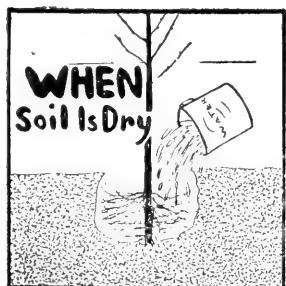
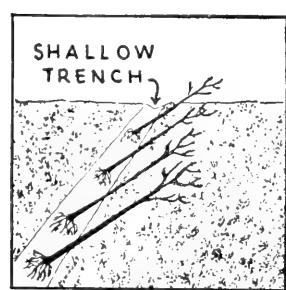
- A HERITAGE FOR THE FUTURE

Orchards here are cultivated once a year, with winter pastures planted in the fall and fertilization given at that same time. When fruit trees are planted between the pecans, greater returns can be achieved. The pecan trees benefit from the cultivation given the fruit trees. We recommend pecan groves highly for most sections of the South. They are an investment today—a source of income tomorrow and an investment in beauty for all time.

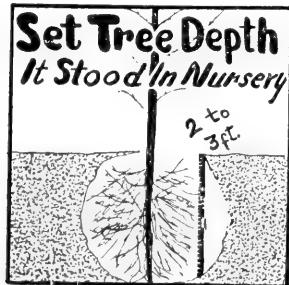
Simple Planting Directions

Bass Trees Come Ready to Plant

We endeavor at all times to send out properly pruned trees, just the kind which we plant ourselves, leaving the planter nothing to do but just set them out. The taller grades of trees need to be top-trimmed, as it balances the top against the unavoidable loss of some of the roots when the tree is transplanted. Proper pruning insures the tree growing well. *Our prices are made on the height of the trees when dug. When properly top-trimmed, the height is often somewhat reduced. Therefore if the height of the trimmed tree when received is less than the catalog height, this is the explanation.* We measure our trees from the ground up, not from the tip of the tap root as many nurserymen do; and so our 3-4 ft. size trees are often as large as others' 5-6 ft. size trees—we don't charge for the roots.



pull dry dirt back to keep the soil from baking, Do Not Water At All. Water poured on top of the ground and left this way does more harm than good, as it will cause the tree to scald. **DO NOT** put tile down to roots of your trees.



Protect the Roots

Never allow the roots of the trees to become dry or exposed to the atmosphere for any length of time from the time they reach you until they are set in the ground. Wet the roots in the bundle just as soon as you can, and if not ready to set out at once, dig a hole and put the roots in and cover up well. Place in a shady place if possible.

Set your trees at once upon arrival, or heel-in promptly as above.

If the Soil is Dry

If the soil is dry when the trees are planted, it is a good idea to pour a bucketful of water to each tree when the hole is about three-fourths filled, and after the water soaks in, fill the hole completely with dirt.

During hot spells during the summer, with dry weather, water the trees slightly. One bucketful per tree is usually sufficient. Make a basin-like hole at the base of the tree. Pour water, and as soon as it is soaked in good, fill the hole completely with dry dirt. This holds the moisture in, and also keeps the ground from baking. If you cannot

keep the soil from baking, Do Not Water At All. Water poured on top of the ground and left this way does more harm than good, as it will cause the tree to scald. **DO NOT** put tile down to roots of your trees.

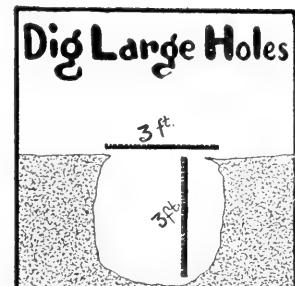
Plant as Deep as in the Nursery

When you set out your pecan trees, plant them about the same depth they stood in the nursery. Fill in the hole with the best top-soil, packing the dirt well around the roots, especially the tap root. Keep the roots of the tree straight in their natural position, and *do not* bend them down by the tree.

for Pecan and Fruit Trees

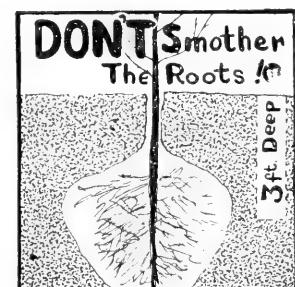
Dig Large Holes — Protect the Roots

Have a large hole for your trees. Three feet wide and three feet deep is normally large enough for pecan trees. This hole can be edged larger, if necessary, for the larger size trees. Holes about 12 inches across, and one to two feet deep usually are large enough for fruit trees.



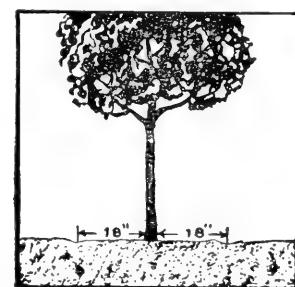
Cultivate the Soil

Keep the ground around the trees cultivated thoroughly all during the summer. Never let grass or weeds grow up around your trees, as they take nourishment and moisture from the soil which will benefit your pecan trees. Keep the ground dug up and soft at all times. Our own experience has taught us that no tree responds to care and cultivation better than the papershell pecan, and that frequent shallow cultivation is best.



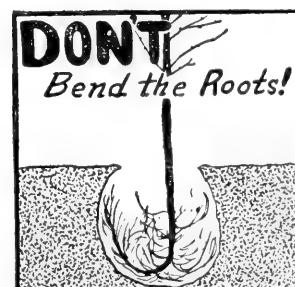
Fertilize Properly

When trees are to be planted on soil rather poor in fertility, use a good top-soil in the hole when filling it. About the best fertilizer after the tree is planted is manure scattered around the tree. **DO NOT BANK IT AROUND THE TREE**, but scatter it around for three feet or so. And if a commercial fertilizer is used, take it and scatter it 18 inches or more from the tree, and then work it well into the soil. *Do not* let any fertilizer of any sort touch the roots, for many trees are killed by strong fertilizers burning the roots before the roots get started growing in the new soil. Fertilizer placed on top and worked into the soil will have its substance taken down by rains. Put fertilizer around your trees in late winter, if possible, so that the trees will get a fine growth in the spring. When the trees are old enough to bear, use potash in some form—wood ashes will do.



Care of Young Trees

No pruning is necessary after you once get the trees branching high enough. The larger trees we sell will branch high enough anyway, but the smaller trees have to have sprouts cut off occasionally that come out on the body of the trees, until the branches get high enough. This may be done at any time, either in summer or winter. We do not let our own trees branch out any lower than shoulder high, or five to six feet above ground. They look better and you can work around them where they are not allowed to head too low.



Planting Pecan Trees

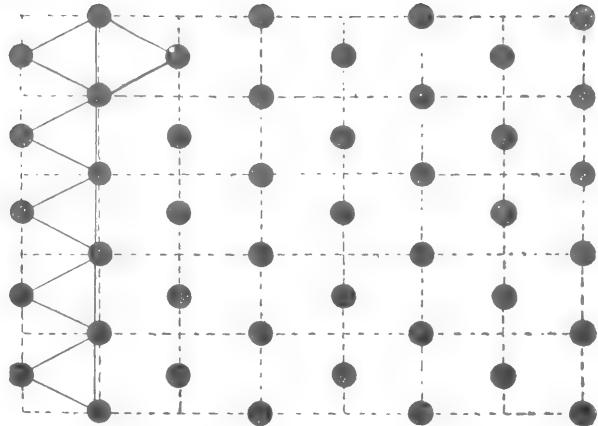
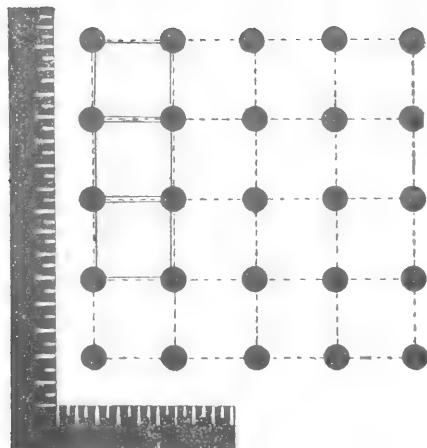
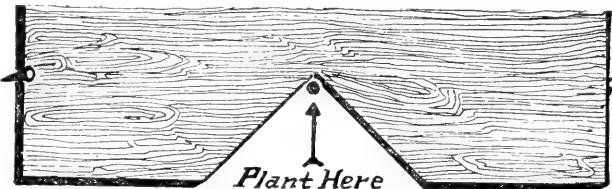
There are two questions, about planting pecan trees, more frequently asked than any other: first, how many trees to plant to the acre, and second, what kind of soil in which to plant them?

On land of fair fertility, trees can be planted every 50 feet, although we would recommend planting 60 feet apart. If the ground is very rich, plant 70 to 80 feet apart. But, for the average, figure on 60 feet apart—12 trees to the acre. Please refer to the Square and Triangle methods illustrated below. You get more trees to the acre by planting the Triangle method—14 instead of 12. Fruit trees may be planted between the pecan trees, allowing about 20 feet apart for them.

Land which will grow hickory or oak trees usually grows pecan trees well. It has been well said that any land which will grow cotton will grow pecans. Well-drained land is needed for best results. Practically all lands in the Southern states will grow pecans.

The earlier in the fall season pecan trees are planted the better will be your prospects for them living, the more vigorous they will grow off, and the earlier they will begin to bear. Set out pecan trees as early as practicable after the leaves fall, in November, December, January, February, or March. *Even if you cannot plant your trees until January or later, book your order early so we may reserve some of our finest trees for you.*

Use a planting board in setting your trees. This is easily made by taking a plank or board about six feet long, and cutting a V-shaped groove in the center. Drive stakes in the ground where trees are to be planted; then place your planting board so that the groove is around one of the stakes. Place small sticks or pegs at each end of the planting board, in the ground; this gives you marks to come back to. Dig your hole, replace your planting board between the two pegs you set; and now you have the groove in the exact place where you want your tree to be. Put your tree into the hole, center it with the planting board, tamp the soil down to hold it there. If you do not use a planting board it is hard to get the trees in line again after holes are dug, even if they were lined up exactly right to begin with.



SQUARE METHOD

To plant trees by the Square Method, take an ordinary L-Square and place on the ground in order to get your lines true. Sight and place a stake 60 feet apart on each line until you reach the ends of the field, or whatever distance apart you are planting your trees. Then stake off on parallel lines at every 60 feet and plant trees at each stake. Twelve trees are planted to the acre at 60 feet apart.

TRIANGLE METHOD

To plant trees equidistant in all directions, use the triangle method. To get a true equilateral triangle drive a stake in the corner of the field. Then, with L-Square find the stakes along the outside lines as in square method. To get the proper distance inward attach wires to two adjacent outside stakes, the wires 60 feet long. Make arcs with these two wires, and where they meet, properly taut, drive stake for tree. Work from that stake until field is covered. Fourteen trees will be planted to the acre.

Methods of Shipment

We prefer to ship pecan trees and fruit trees to you by Railway Express, for this company gives a special nursery rate and can get the trees to you promptly. We send you a notice on the day the trees are shipped, so you may expect arrival of the trees at the express office and can call about the shipment. Shipments are always made Express Collect, unless special arrangements are made in advance for shipments to come prepaid. We do not ship c.o.d. without a deposit of at least 25% of the total amount of the order.

Parcel Post shipments can be made of Small size pecan trees and Small and Medium size fruit trees. These will be cut back to meet postal regulations. Fruit trees have a shorter root than pecan trees, and so a larger size can be shipped Parcel Post. To have your order sent by mail, add up the order and then add one-fifth (20%) of this total for postage. You can request shipment c.o.d. for the postage, but this will just add a fee to the cost of postage, so it is better to allow for postage and include in your check.

Motor Freight shipment will be made if you will give us complete routing instructions when sending in your order. You can get these by calling your local motor freight company and ask for the quickest and best routing from Lumberton or Hattiesburg. Railroad freight is too slow for shipment of perishable trees. Motor Freight is used only when specific delivering carriers are named with order.

SPECIAL NOTICE

Before you accept any shipment inspect it. Be sure that the bundle is not damaged and trees broken. If so, have the deliveryman make notation of such damage on your receipt, and send to us at once. We will be glad to file claim for the damage for you.

If the package is so delayed or badly damaged that shipment is refused, have the agent give you some evidence of the attempted delivery and reason for the refusal. Send this to us, so duplicate shipment can be made and claim filed.

Government Bulletins and Experiment Stations

We are always glad to have your letters about your trees, but often you will find that specific information can be given by writing one of the three large experiment stations maintained by the United States Government for pecan growers. These are:

- U. S. Pecan Experiment Station, Albany, Georgia.
- U. S. Pecan Experiment Station, RFD 6, Meridian, Mississippi.
- U. S. Pecan Laboratory, Court House Bldg., Shreveport, Louisiana.
- U. S. Pecan Field Station, Brownwood, Texas.

Write the office nearest you for information about insects that may be injuring your trees, or other specific questions you may have, sending leaf samples and giving full information about the trees and cultivation given them.

In each of the Southern states are State Extension Services, and we are listing these for your information. Write them for any free bulletins they may have on pecan and fruit trees and their cultivation.

- Agricultural Extension Service, Auburn, Alabama.
- Agricultural Extension Service, Little Rock, Arkansas.
- Agricultural Extension Service, Gainesville, Fla.
- Agricultural Extension Service, Atlanta, Georgia.
- Agricultural Extension Service, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.
- Agricultural Extension Service, State College, Mississippi.
- Agricultural Extension Service, Jefferson City, Missouri.
- Agricultural Extension Service, Raleigh, North Carolina.
- Agricultural Extension Service, Clemson, South Carolina.
- Agricultural Extension Service, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.
- Agricultural Extension Service, Knoxville, Tennessee.
- Agricultural Extension Service, College Station, Texas.
- Agricultural Extension Service, Richmond, Virginia.

The South's Finest Fruit Tree

THE ORIENT PEAR

The Orient pear variety was developed by the United States Department of Agriculture and the University of Tennessee, in a most successful attempt to create a pear with good eating qualities, resistant to blight and other diseases that often afflict pear trees, and highly productive. We have been growing these trees for only a few years, and each year we have held back some of our nursery stocks to let them grow until we could finally offer the very finest pear trees we have ever seen.

This year we can furnish Super Special, bearing Orient pear trees — one of the most ornamental fruit trees that can be grown — beautifully shaped, ideal for yards and garden plots. These are offered at \$4.00 each, and to see them in the nursery rows, with pears hanging on every limb is a thrill of natural beauty.

The Orient pears can be furnished in the Medium and Large sizes, but for early production and rapid growth, the Super Special size is an exceptional value.

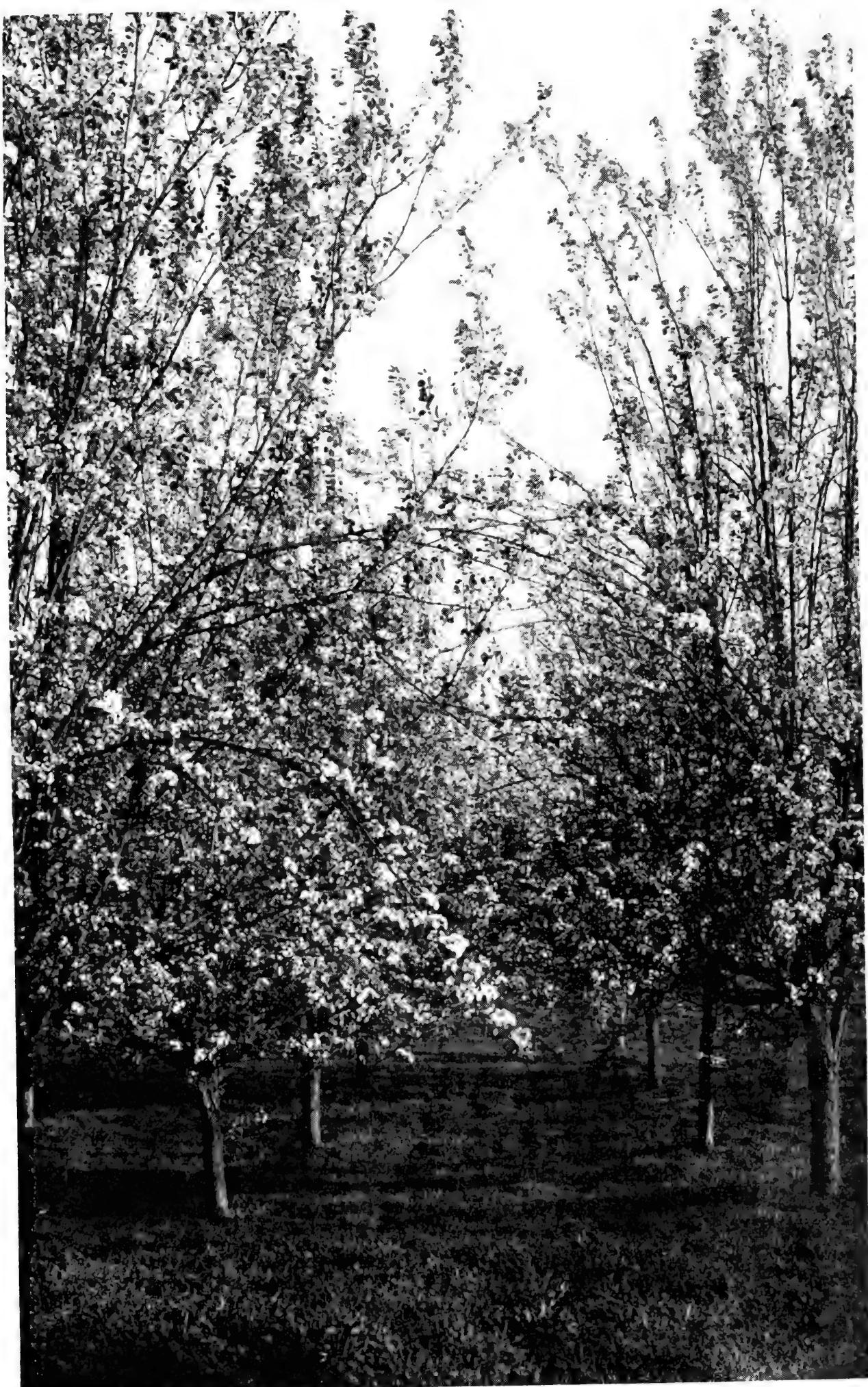
THE BLIGHTPROOF PINEAPPLE PEAR

The famous BASS BLIGHTPROOF PINEAPPLE PEAR was first grown for our own use, and then developed for our customers. These trees have prolific growth and produce fine fruit which finds a ready market. Often these heavy-bearing trees

will produce 40 to 75 bushels of pears, and some orchards produce as high as 1000 bushels per acre! These pears bloom in the early spring, and on the opposite page is one of the beautiful sights of springtime—an orchard of pear trees in full bloom. These trees can be planted 15 to 20 feet apart, and in conjunction with the fine Orient pears make an ideal addition to any garden or home orchard. The Pineapple Pear trees are positively blight resistant, grow rapidly, and are extremely hardy trees with fine root systems.



Close-up of Pears



One of our beautiful Pear Orchards in full bloom, March, 1955

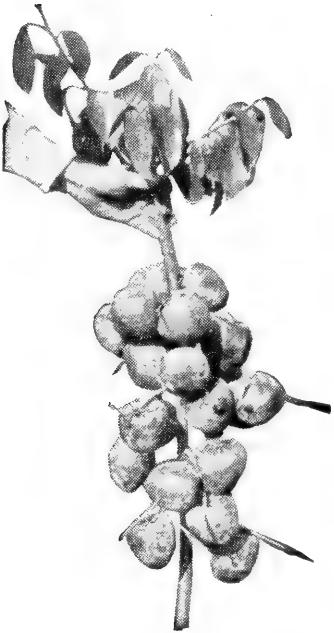
Celeste Figs

Fig trees require little or no cultivation. They should be planted in a protected area if possible, and mulched well for their first growing year. We have grown many varieties of fine figs, but the one which we think is the best all-around fig is the CELESTE variety, or the Celestial variety as it is sometimes called. This is one of the hardiest types, and is very desirable not only for canning and preserving, but for serving with cereal as a breakfast fruit or in fruit compotes and ice creams. This fig is small to medium in size, pear-shaped, and ribbed; the flesh is firm, juicy, sweet, and of excellent quality.

Prices	Less Than 10	10 or More
Small (mailing) size	\$.75 each	\$.50 each
Medium size	1.00 each	.75 each



Japanese Persimmons



The Japanese Persimmon can be grown on as wide a range of soil as the native Persimmons, and will succeed with a minimum of care and attention. The Oriental quality of the leaf and the shape of the tree makes this a highly ornamental tree, and as the fruit keeps and ships well, it can be placed on the market in good condition.

We highly recommend our trees, which produce large fruit, with yellow seedless flesh. Uniform size, most desirable to market.

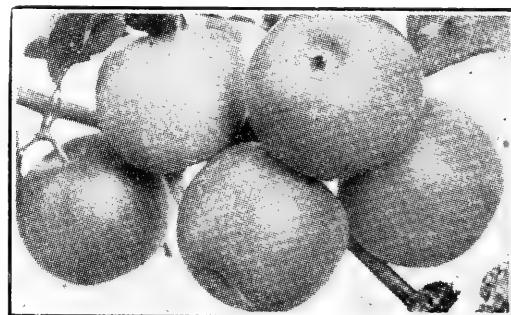
	Less than 10	More than 10
Medium size (mailing size)	\$ 1.00 each	\$.75 each
Large size	1.50 each	1.25 each

Apples

DELICIOUS APPLES. No apple has ever gained the popularity in so many sections of the country as the Golden (Yellow) Delicious and the Red Delicious. The apples are large and beautifully colored, flesh fine grained, crisp, melting, juicy, with delightful aroma and highest quality. Fine keeper and shipper. Tree very hardy, fast grower and heavy bearer. Same price for either kind.

Prices	Less Than 10
Small (mailing) size	\$.75 each
Medium size	1.00 each
Extra Special size	2.50 each

10 or More
\$.50 each
.75 each
No reduction



And as with the pear trees, we have especially held back some of our fine apple trees to be able to offer the Extra Special size this season — trees already bearing in our nursery rows, and beautifully shaped, ideal for home gardens and highly ornamental to add to your yard's charm.

Finest Peach Trees



We have grown many thousand bushels of peaches in our orchards. The three kinds we offer have done best of many kinds tried here.

✓ **RED HAVEN.** The earliest fine peach we know. Very early bearer and fast grower. Fruit is yellow meated under a red skin and a clear seed when fully ripe. This is a real fine new peach and ripens in early June.

✓ **HILEY BELLE.** Very rapid grower, prolific bearer, with a fresh, firm, excellent creamy white flesh and real peach flavor. Ripens in June. Freestone.

✓ **ELBERTA.** Large, yellow, with red cheeks; juicy and of good flavor; flesh yellow. Ripens middle of July. This is an excellent shipping variety. Freestone.

Prices	Less Than 10	10 or More
Small (mailing) size	\$.75 each	\$.50 each
Medium (mailing) size	1.00 each	.75 each

Japanese Plums

Our Plum trees are of the very finest quality which we can buy, and we offer them each year because of repeated demand for them. These are supplied us by another nursery, and we proudly offer them to you. The plums are very fine, and are ideal both for eating and for jellies; plum trees are nicely shaped and ornamental as well as productive.

Prices	Less Than 10	10 or More
Small (mailing) size	\$.75 each	\$.50 each
Medium (mailing) size	1.00 each	.75 each

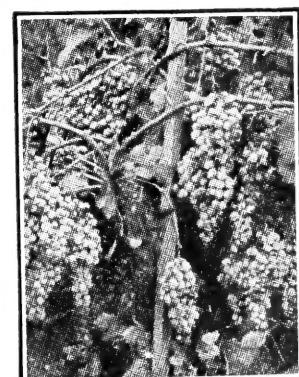
Bass Grapes

Who doesn't like grapes? Because of the heavy demand for fine Southern grown grapes for the average Southern home, we offer two of the finest varieties for the South, and at true bargain prices. Everyone should have a small grape arbor.

✓ **CONCORD: (Black)** Probably world's most famous variety, perfect for juice, jellies and jams.

✓ **NIAGARA: (White)** The finest of the white grapes, and ideal for jellies and jams as well as juice and wines.

Prices: Less than 10—35c each
10 or more—30c each



PRICE LIST

PRICES ON TOP GRADE BASS BRED-UP PECAN TREES

NO ORDER FOR LESS THAN TWO TREES

	Each	10 Rate	100 Rate
Small (mailing size).....	\$1.50	\$1.35	\$1.25
3-4 ft. (mailing size).....	2.00	1.75	1.50
4-5 ft.....	2.50	2.25	2.00
5-6 ft.....	3.00	2.75	2.50
6-7 ft.....	4.00	3.75	3.50
Large size (branched).....	5.00	4.75	4.50
Extra Special size (well branched).....	6.00	5.75	5.50
Super Special (Oversize).....	8.00	7.50	7.00

In lots of 250 or more, special quotations will be given.

ORIENT PEARS AND BLIGHTPROOF PINEAPPLE PEARS

	Each	10 Rate
Small (mailing size)	\$.75	\$.50
Medium (mailing size)	1.00	.75
Large (branched)	1.50	1.25
Extra Special (branched).....	2.50	(No reduction)
Super Special (Orient only).....	4.00	3.50

JAPANESE PERSIMMONS

Medium (mailing size)	1.00	.75
Large (branched)	1.50	1.25

APPLES, PLUMS, PEACHES and FIGS

Small (mailing size)75	.50
Medium (mailing size).....	1.00	.75
Extra Special (Apples only).....	2.50	(No reduction)

GRAPES

2-year bearing size (mailing size)35	.30
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OUR GUARANTEE

ALL BASS BRED-UP Pecan Trees are guaranteed to be true to variety, strong, thrifty, vigorous, fine rooted, well dug, and well packed so that they should reach you in excellent condition. Get them promptly and plant properly so that your trees will live and grow well for you.

If damaged in transit, refuse the shipment on account of the damage, notify us and we will make you a duplicate shipment. If you have accepted a shipment which you find damaged upon unpacking, get a bad order report from the carrying agent, showing the extent of damage and forward to us. We will file claim with agent for this damage.

All fruit trees that we do not grow are supplied by reputable nurseries. We guarantee them to be of high quality, good healthy stock, and free from disease.

Should any pecan or fruit tree prove not true to variety we will refund purchase price or replace with other stock, but we are not liable for any damage beyond this.

ALL PRICES ARE F.O.B. LUMBERTON, MISSISSIPPI—NO ORDER FOR LESS THAN TWO TREES CAN BE ACCEPTED—TREES TO COME PARCEL POST ARE INDICATED AS BEING MAILING SIZE ON THE PRICE LIST ABOVE. ALL OTHERS WILL COME BY EXPRESS OR MOTOR FREIGHT. IF MOTOR FREIGHT SHIPMENT IS DESIRED, BE SURE TO SPECIFY THE COMPANY WHICH DELIVERS TO YOUR ADDRESS.

SUBSTITUTION: Should we be out of the variety or size you order, we will use our judgment as to variety and size to substitute, unless advised not to do so.

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BASS PECAN COMPANY, INC.

Largest Pecan Nursery in the World
LUMBERTON, MISSISSIPPI

No order for less than 2 trees can be shipped. If mailing size trees are ordered, and 20% is added for postage, trees will come postpaid. Otherwise we shall ship c. o. d. for postage and charges. On larger sizes, shipments are express collect. ADD 50¢ PACKING CHARGE IF ORDER IS LESS THAN \$5.00.

KIND	Number	Size	Price Each	Price Total
PECANS Stuart				
Miss. Giant-Mahan				
Success				
Desirable				
PEARS Blight Proof Pineapple				
Orient				
PERSIMMONS Japanese				
PLUMS. Japanese				
PEACHES Red Haven				
Hiley Belle				
Elberta				
FIGS Celeste				
APPLES Red Delicious				
Golden Delicious				
GRAPES Concord (Black)				
Niagara (White)				
SPIRAL WRAP		155 ft. roll 1.00		
ADD 50¢ PACKING CHARGE ON ALL ORDERS FOR LESS THAN \$5.00				
IF ALL TREES ARE MAILING SIZE, ADD 20% FOR POSTAGE				
TOTAL:				

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